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For: NEGATIVE ELECTRODE MATERIAL FOR LITHIUM SECONDARY BATTERY,
NEGATIVE ELECTRODE USING THE MATERIAL, LITHIUM SECONDARY
BATTERY USING THE NEGATIVE ELECTRODE, AND MANUFACTURING
METHOD OF NEGATIVE ELECTRODE MATERIAL

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including 31 pages of Substitute Specification, 32 pages of Marked-up Specification, and one sheet each of Annotated Drawing and Replacement Drawing is attached following page 8 of this paper.